

**LISLE TOWNSHIP
DUPAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 11, 2015

CALL TO ORDER: The Regular Meeting of the Board of Township Trustees was called to order by Supervisor Tarulis at 7:30 p.m. at the Lisle Township office, 4711 Indiana Avenue, Lisle, IL.

Roll Call:

Physically Present:

Supervisor Richard Tarulis
Highway Commissioner Ed Young
Assessor John Trowbridge
Trustee Michael Tams
Trustee Michael Riedy
Trustee Sharon Connell
Clerk Robert Klaeren

Present Electronically: None

Absent: None

Others Present:

Rich Weigel	Jack Schreiber	Frank Zaucha
Jim Vondran	Pam McKechnie	Jerry Bush
Bill Green	Ed Hatfield	Scott Silver
Laura Panteleo	Nancy Duffin	Mike Bronon
Chris Wrubel		

Public Comments: None

Approval of February 11, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes:

Trustee Tams motioned for the approval of the minutes from the February 12th regular board meeting. Trustee Connell seconded the motion.

Motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Approval of February 11, 2015 Executive Session Minutes:

Trustee Riedy motioned for the approval of the minutes from the February 12th executive session. Trustee Connell seconded the motion.

Motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Discussion of General Assistance Benefits:

Supervisor Tarulis called this agenda item; then Rich Weigel introduced himself as a 30 year Lisle Resident. He is here as a member of St. Joan of Arc's St. Vincent De Paul Society and there are members from at least three other parishes' societies as well.

Rich feels collaboration between the township and the organizations he is representing tonight must increase in the coming months because of the pending budget cuts coming down from Springfield. He went on to explain how the organizations he is working with are funded, and their charge to help the poor.

Mr. Weigel went through the circumstances of those people they try to help. He described the various ways they help and described how unfortunately the poor of the township need more than they can provide.

Ed Hatfield, of Daybreak of Lisle, described what their group does by providing housing and utilities to those that they can.

Mr. Weigel resumed his presentation providing numbers which include the township's spending as a percentage of its budget. Mr. Weigel and Mr. Schreiber explained that they would like the township to spend all that it has budgeted for this purpose.

Mr. Weigel closed by thanking the board for its time and for being good stewards of the taxpayers' money. He then proceeded to describe a roundtable committee that they are trying to put together; this would include organizations in the area that are trying to help the poor. He would like the township to join this group. The only concern that members of the board expressed regarding this was that if these organizations banding together were primarily religious that it could be perceived as by some as a violation of the separation of church and state.

The members of the St. Vincent De Paul groups described many different situations and challenges faced by the township residents with whom they work. The board and members of the group discussed different ways of working together to help these people.

Supervisor Tarulis then presented a spreadsheet detailing how much each of the DuPage County townships gives to the poor.

The conversation ended with both the township and the groups agreeing to continue the discussion.

Approval of Agenda for Annual Town Meeting:

Supervisor Tarulis presented the board with his proposed Annual Town Meeting Agenda. He then went through the agenda and asked the board if it met with their approval. Trustee Riedy motioned that the board approves the agenda for the 2015 Annual Town Meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Trustee Tams. The motion passed with a unanimous voice vote.

Discussion/Appointment to fill Vacancy in Office of Trustee:

The board discussed inviting the applicants who applied to fill the position to the April meeting. It was agreed that the board would like to invite all of the potential trustees to the April meeting so that the board can interview them.

The supervisor then invited the three candidates who were in the audience to introduce themselves.

Scott Silver, Jerry Bush and Chris Wrubel each introduced themselves and briefly described their relevant professional experience.

Reports of Elected Officials:

Assessor Trowbridge: None

Highway Commissioner Young:

The highway commissioner told the board that he had made a large expenditure for road salt based on the expectation that the price of road salt would rise significantly before next winter.

Supervisor Tarulis:

The supervisor informed the board that he is still putting together the list of the presidents of the homeowners associations in Lisle Township. He is assembling this list in an effort to put together a committee to determine a bid specification for a new garbage contract.

The supervisor also wanted to thank the Naperville Library for donating books to the food pantry. The majority of these books have already been given away to food pantry clients.

Other Business:

Trustee Tams asked that the township board take action to condemn the waste of taxpayer funds by the Board of Trustees at the College of DuPage. He described several of the actions that the board has taken and how they are wrong for the students and the taxpayers who fund the university.

The board, including the supervisor, discussed the idea, but did not feel it was appropriate to take this action at this time. It was discussed that the issue be revisited by Mr. Tams at the annual town meeting in April, this would allow the residents in attendance to speak to the issue and allow them to decide what action they would like the township to take, by voting for it themselves.

Audit of Expenditures:

Motion by Trustee Tams to audit expenditures. Second by Trustee Riedy. Voice vote, all in favor, motion passed.

The following total expenditures in each fund were reviewed:

Town Fund	\$ 54,838.10
General Assistance Fund	\$ 9,615.64
Road & Bridge Fund	\$ 56,314.27

There was discussion regarding two of the expenditures. The first was regarding a seminar for an employee and the second was a consulting fee for the highway department.

Motion by Trustee Riedy to approve the audit of the expenditures. Seconded by Trustee Connell.

Roll Call Vote:
Ayes: Tams, Riedy, Connell, Tarulis,
Nays: None
Absent: None
Motion Passed

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn by Trustee Riedy, second by Trustee Tams. Voice vote, all in favor, motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 9:23 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Robert Klaeren
Township Clerk

** Next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday April 14, 2015 following the Annual Town Meeting, at the Lisle Township office **